

EXHIBIT B

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(54) **FILTER ELEMENT HAVING OVAL SHAPE**

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CLAIM

The ornamental design for filter element having oval shape, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a filter element embodying our new design;
FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof, the rear elevational view being a mirror-image thereof;
FIG. 3 is a right elevational view thereof, the left elevational view being a mirror-image thereof; and,
FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof.
The bottom plan view is not depicted as it is plain and unornamented.

1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets

The image shows a perspective view of a cylindrical filter element. The surface is covered in a fine, repeating diamond-shaped mesh pattern. The cylinder has a slightly flared top and bottom rim. The drawing is a technical illustration showing the ornamental design of the filter element.

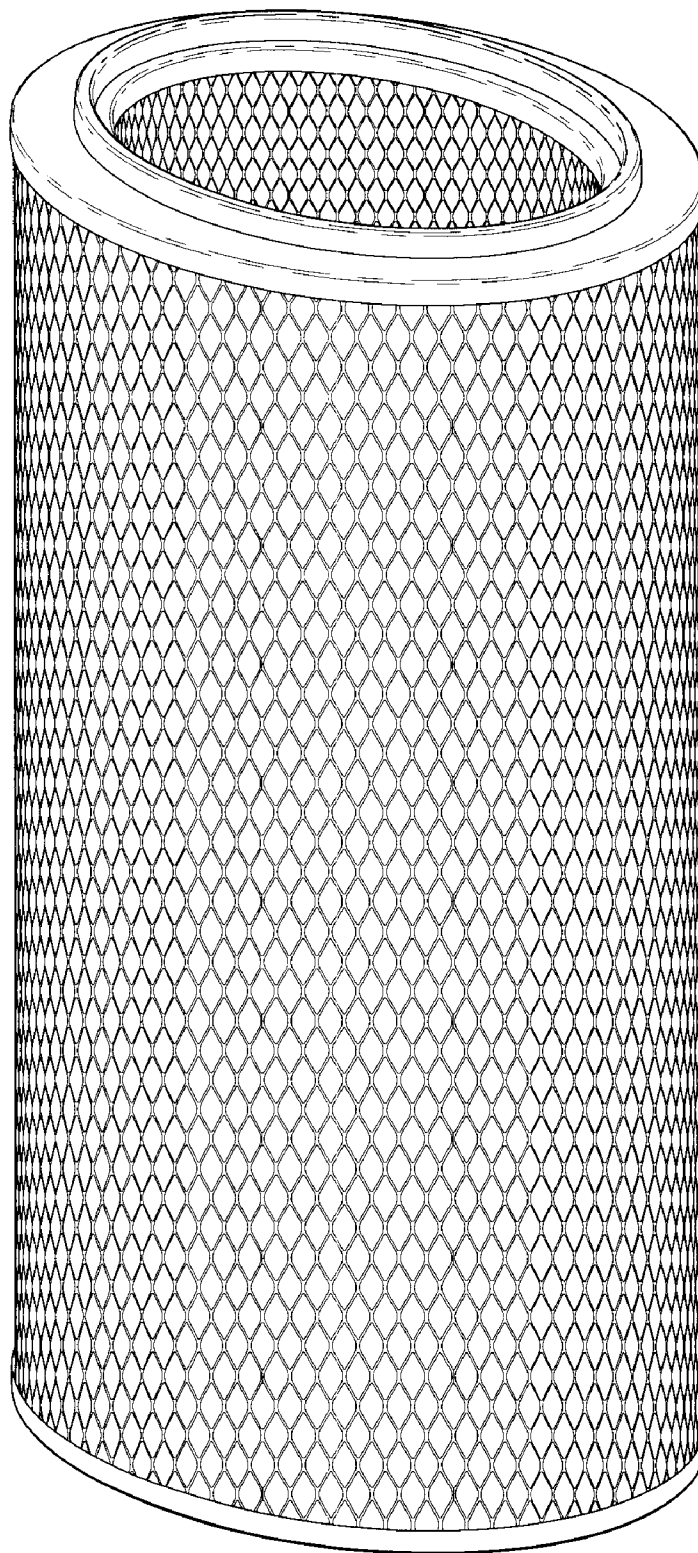
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FIG. 1



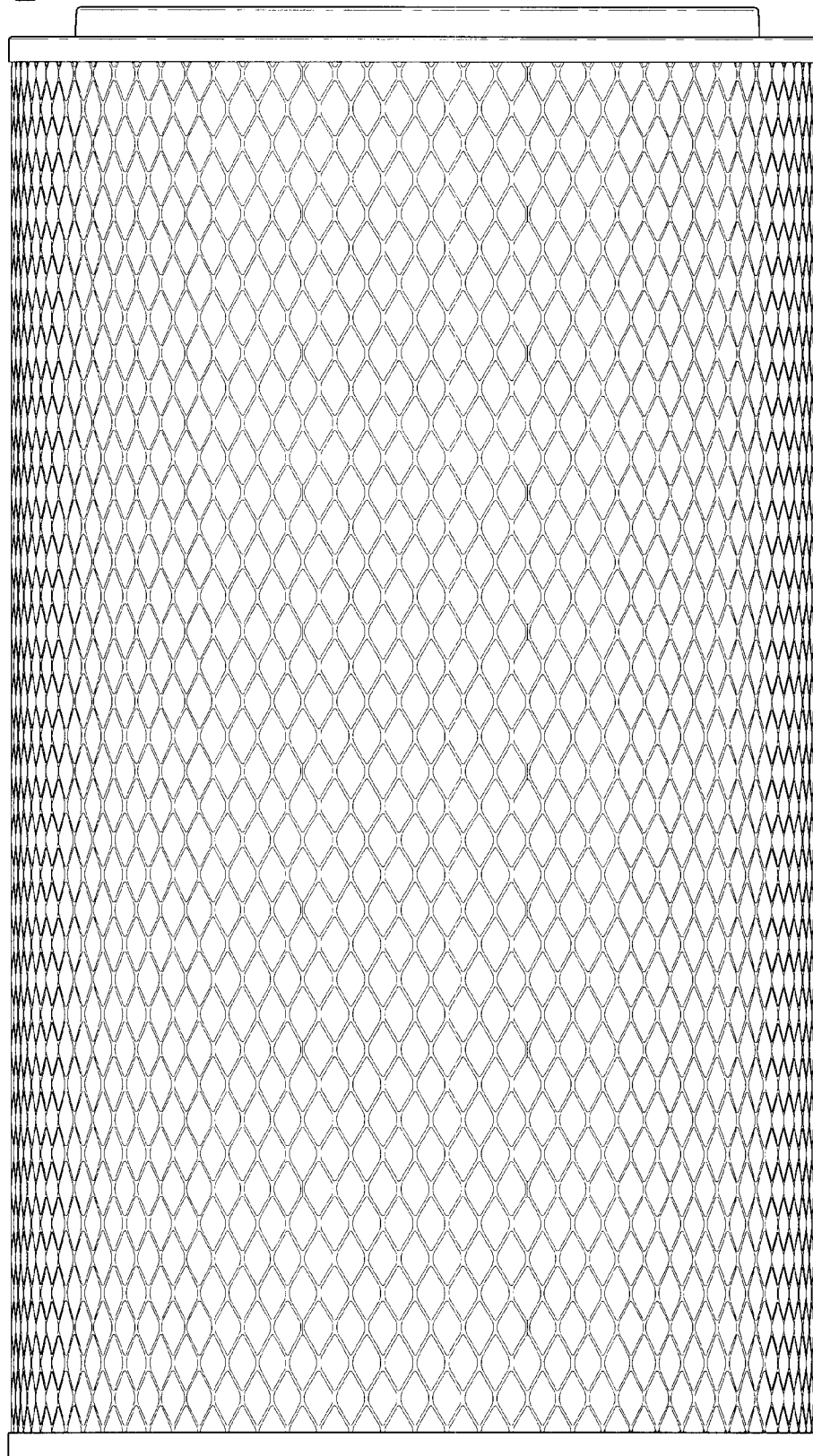
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FIG. 2



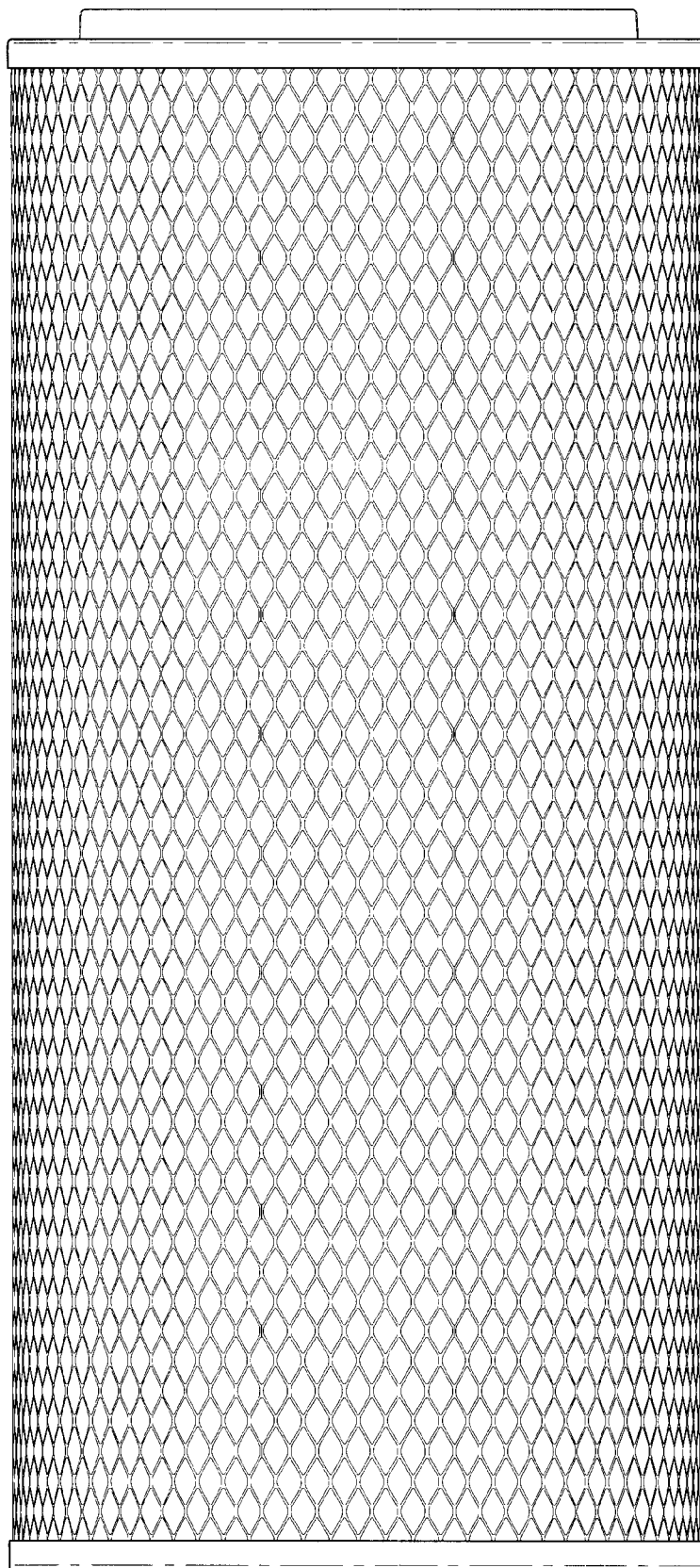
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FIG. 3



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FIG. 4

